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GREY FRAME HOUSE
Woodland, Maryland
ca. 1870

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Grey Frame House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Woodland

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES RESTRICTED☐ YES UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Consolidated Fuel Company

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Depot Street

CITY, TOWN

Frostburg

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 198

Folio #: 170

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland,

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Grey Frame House is located on Depot Street in Woodland, Allegany County.

The Grey House is a two and a half story, four bay wide, frame structure that is covered in weatherboard. The entire structure rests on a low stone foundation. The roof is gabled and covered with asphalt shingles. Windows in the structure are double hung wooden sashes with two over two lights with cornices. Two small single sash, single light windows are located in the gable ends. In addition, the gable ends are covered with asbestos shingles. Two entrances are located on the main facade and feature verticle paneled doors with transom lights. The entrances are covered with a four bay, hipped roof end porch. A rather deteriorated shed roof addition abuts the main block on the east side. Two original corbeled brick chimneys are located in the interior of the building.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES CA. 1870

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Consolidation Coal Company was established in 1864 and eventually became the largest bituminous coal company in the United States.¹ Because of its size, the Consolidation Coal Company owned a large amount of real estate in the George's Creek area. In 1871, the company owned 311 dwellings houses, and in 1873, it listed among its assets dwellings at the mines worth \$115,045.²

The Grey Frame House is an example of what was known as a "block" or a two family dwelling built by the Consolidation Coal Company. "Blocks" were usually of frame construction and two stories high. The houses had three to four rooms and a shed kitchen for each family. Often a small garden was located along each side of the house. The cost of a typical block in the 1850's was about \$400.00. They were rented to a miner for about \$3.50 per month or 12% of a miners annual income in 1880.³

1 Katherine A. Harvey, The Best Dressed Miners, (Ithaca, N.Y., 1969) p. 9

2 *ibid* p. 78

3 *ibid* p. 83

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MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland

Harvey, Katherine A., The Best Dressed Miners, (Ithaca, N.Y.)
Cornell University Press, 1969

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

John Nelson, Joan Baldwin & Steve Beale

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

12/10/76

STREET & NUMBER

507 National Highway

TELEPHONE

777-8991

CITY OR TOWN

Lavale

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

INVENTORY NO. A1-VI-B-032

198/170

DATE: 11/23/76

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: A grey frameLOCATION OF PROPERTY: woodlandDIRECTION DWELLING FACES: Map 47
P 131NAME OF OWNER: Consolidated Fuel Company 689-8895ADDRESS: Depot StreetFrostburg MD 21532STORIES: 1() 2(☒) 3(☒) 4() 5() 6() BAYS: 1() 2() 3() 4(☒) 5() 6() 7() ()WINGS, ADDITIONS: shed roof - 1225Dwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular) two family

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- (☒) FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
() BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
() STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
() LOG
() Other: Coverings

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS _____

FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE none

WATER TABLE: NONE, FLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1() 2/2(☒) 6/6() 9/6() 9/9() other()
pegged () nailed(☒) wide () narrow () mitred () pediment (☒)

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: _____

HARDWARE: original(☒) replaced()
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN
Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal BoardsCORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)
original() replaced() Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze, ArchitraveROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, BANSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, LORMERS #
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original() replaced()PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip(☒) gable()CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 2 BRICK(☒) STONE() CORBELLED(☒) original(☒) replaced()
LOCATION: Flush end() Inside end() Outside end() Central() Interior (☒)

ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

Use - residence - two family
Significance - miner's home
Date Constructed - 1860's
Condition - fair

SECTION VI QUADRANGLE B

STATE OF MARYLAND
MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY





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Gray Framed House
Main St.

Woodland

John Nelson

11/23/76

North East



A1-VI-B-032

Gray Frame House

Main Street

Woodland

John Nelson

11/23/76

Southwest